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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by deleting the text on Page 1, lines 1-3, and inserting therefor
the following text:

This is a Continuation of International Application PCT/EP99/06902, with an
international filing date of September 15, 1999, which was published under PCT Article 21(2) in
German, and the disclosure of which is incorporated into this application by reference.